pa thy. Recommendations of the Committee *Which* reviewed the Cadre were put up for clearance to Ministry of Finance. The Finance Ministry agreed to revise the Pay Scales of only the National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur, amongst the list of Autonomous Research Councils submitted to them.

Shortage of Doctors at Primary Health Centres

624. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government propose to take private doctors *on* Contract with a view to meet the shortage of doctors for primary health centres;

.(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) *to* (c) to ensure delivery of quality services, availability of trained manpower, if necessary through alternative modes like! contractual appointments of per visit fees has also been suggested for the States of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Bihar.

Abolition of Capitation fee in Medical Colleges

625. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether, despite Government's policy to abolish the system of capitation fee it is prevalent in Medical Colleges in different States;

(b)'if so, the details thereof;

(c) what effective measures are contemplated to do away with the system!; and

(d) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d) As per information available from the Medical Council of India there is no report of capitation fee being charged by any of the private medical colleges after the Hon'ble Supreme Court's judgement in the matter of Unnikrishnan's case.

Ban on Electropathy/Homoeopathy Medi cal Practitioners

626 SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:

SHRI K. M. KHAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state*:

(a) whether Government have impos ed a ban on electropathy/homoeopath] medical practitioners; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMI LY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SING! GHATOWAR): (a) and (b) Homoeopath' is a recognised system and there is ban on its practitioners. Electropathy i not a recognised system imposition c ben separately on its practitioner is no called for.

Assessment of drug formulations

627. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has bee made recently to assess the percet tage of drug formulations that at considered irrational and have bee banned in various countries but an still being marketed in the countr

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps contemplated by Go ernment to check production an marketing of these drugs in the cou try?